



POVERTY AND SOCIAL GRANTS

About half of our people still live in poverty. Until we have growth and employment state must provide safety net for most vulnerable.

- The state must increase capacity to provide free basic services for poor, quality free education, nutrition, and transport subsidies.
- Increase educational and jobs opportunities for youth, women and disabled people. Focus on including rural and urban poor.
- Buildings, schools should be accessible for people with disabilities.
- Benefits for retirement, death and disability should be managed through the National Social Security Fund (NSSF).
- Increase access to 4 years ECD - encourage workplace ECD centres
- Ensure full funding covering tuition, books, and accommodation and living allowances to students from poor and middle income families.
- Improve access to food and health support for pregnant women, and family planning for youth

WATER AND SANITATION (TOILETS)

Water scarce country, massive roll out of toilets and taps. But must improve water management and use. Proposals:

- Laws to make water public and not private property. Water licences cannot be transferred or traded.
- Planning for water distribution improved to for different water uses. Needs involvement and increased capacity of local governments.
- Further investments in water infrastructure, especially in rural areas.
- Plans for water + infrastructure in new settlements to reduce pressure
- Fast track efforts to get rid of the remaining bucket toilets by 2018.
- Speed up rollout basic sanitation rural areas, informal settlements.
- Law on human settlements to provide a framework for how to deal with new settlements and sanitation infrastructure in these areas.
- National Catalytic and Spatially Transformative Projects must provide mixed housing, also cater for poor, and eradicate sanitation backlogs

HOUSING AND HUMAN SETTLEMENTS

Massive housing delivery and urbanisation. Cannot deliver RDP housing and rental housing fast enough because of cost. Proposals:

- Laws to implement shared government plans, increase accountability
- Reduce powers national, provincial and municipal governments to decide whether to provide adequate shelter to poor and vulnerable
- Access to water, sanitation, waste removal, lighting, transport .
- Framework for black-owned developers, women and youth
- Once-off priority land release programme of state-owned land
- Affordable housing finance for low-income and employer-assisted housing schemes. Set up Human Settlements Development Bank.
- Development voucher community initiatives housing + livelihoods.
- Emergency housing, disaster relief for disasters and climate change
- Rural settlements and farm-worker housing programmes
- Implement urban development projects to ensure large-scale delivery of accessible and affordable social, student and rental housing

Have rights in law but all cannot access rights and racism and other discrimination still exist. Proposals:

- Persons with disabilities' rights + access be strengthened through campaigns and making all buildings accessible
- Work with private sector to ensure women are part of economy and decision-making structures.
- Create new cities + towns that promote de-racialisation of society.
- Support youth to complete school and study further,
- Campaign against drugs, alcohol abuse, personal violence, crime
- Improve sex education and services for people of all sexual and gender orientations, change attitudes to end discrimination.
- Give free sanitary pads to poor learners to restore dignity
- Customary, cultural and religious practices subject to protection given to individuals by the Constitution and Bill of Rights, and may not be enforced against the will of an individual. Eg. Can choose religion or culture and abide by practices, but can also opt out if rights infringed